മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്. പണിക്കർ: ഒരു സ്കൂളിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ചുള്ള കണക്കുകൾ തന്നിട്ടി ല്ലെന്നു പറഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടു്. ആ സ്കൂൾ ഏതാണു്?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* The Hon'ble Member wants the name of the school which has not furnished the figures. There was some delay and I have got the figures now, but it was received after the question was printed.

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* May I know, Sir, the rate at which depreciation is calculated by the Government on ordinary school buildings.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* It depends upon the character of the buildings. Many of the private school buildings are not of a standard type. There may be temporary sheds and semi-permanent sheds. The depreciation varies according to the standard.

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* Shall not the House have the upper and lower limits of depreciation.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* It is very difficult to say.

Mr. Joseph Petta *(Adur):* The Government have got certain rules of depreciation, I suppose. I want to know what is the lowest and what is the highest.

Mr. President : For Government buildings ?

Mr. Joseph Pettah *(Adur):* In the case of school buildings.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer):* As per our standard in the case of school buildings, the depreciation is about 2%, 1½ to 2%.

AID TO PRIMARY TEACHERS OF UNAIDED SCHOOLS

260. Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what is the amount provided for 1119 for the payment of aid to primary teachers of the unaided schools and classes;

(*b*) has any amount been paid so far;

(*c*) have the Government considered the desirability of paying aid to the unaided teachers of Thessary lower Primary School, Kodakara and St. Joseph's School, Meloor.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* (*a*) Rs. 3,880.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) The matter is being considered.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* May I know, Sir, whether it is not a fact that some of these teachers have been working for over 5 years without aid.

Rao Sahib I. N. Manon *(Director of Public Instruction):* They are working under, say, an oral agreement with the Government.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* Is it not a fact that some of the teachers have already left the State in despair, because they have not got any aid.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* I have no information regarding their emigration but quite a number of them are still there in some schools.

Mr. P. P. Devassy *(Trichur-South):* Do Government generally enter into oral agreements?

Roa Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* The position in this matter is like this. They come and ask for aid and we say we cannot give any more aid until the whole position is reviewed and the code is revised. Then the usual way in which the teachers proceed with the matter is they say "we don't want any aid from Government, we only want recognition". So we issue an order of recognition and in that order, it will be stated that recognition is granted without any promise of aid.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur):* When this amount is allotted, may I know, Sir, whether the claims of the Muslim School at Mattancheri will be considered.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* You mean the High School ?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur) :* There is a primary school.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* This amount does not include the grant to be given to English Schools, but only to Vernacular Primary Schools.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri) :* After providing in the budget for 1119, Rs. 3,880, for giving aid to primary schools, why was this money not spent ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* If the Hon'ble Member wants to know the procedure that is adopted, I shall state it. After the schools re-open, we have to get the figures from the inspecting officers. They have to examine the attendance and check them with that of the previous year. Then the list has to go to the Government and that has to be sanctioned. That is the only delay.

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മിസ്റ്റർ പി. നാരായണ മേനോൻ: എയിഡു വേണ്ടെന്നു പറഞ്ഞു തുടങ്ങിയിട്ടുള്ളതു് അധികവും ലോവർ സെക്കണ്ടറി സ്കൂളുകളൊ പ്രൈമറി സ്കൂളുകളൊ?

റാവു സാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: രണ്ടും ഉണ്ടു്.

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റാവു സാഹിബ്ബു് ഐ. എൻ. മേനോൻ: കൂടുതൽ പ്രൈമറി സ്കൂളുകളായിരിക്കുമെന്നാണു് തോന്നുന്നതു്.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*: Is there any provision for English Primary Schools as aid this year?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: What really happens with regard to English Schools is that a certain amount of money is set apart as a lump allotment and we distribute it irrespective of any consideratlon of its income and other consideration. But in the case of Vernacular Primary Schools, we are giving them regular aid according to the rules.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*: Have you allotted any amount to the Muslim School at Mattancheri?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: I want to notice.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*: You want notice to say whether any amount has been allotted to this School.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: That school is in receipt of a lump grant, but whether it is for Elementary Section or Primary Section, I cannot say without notice.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim *(Cranganur)*: So the Government are already giving some grant.

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: Yes.

PERMANENT CHEMISTRY DEMONSTRATOR—LEAVE OF

261. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) when did the permanent demonstator in Chemistry of the Maharaja's College apply for leave necessitating the appointment of one K. V. Antony as the demostrator by the Staff Selection Board;

(*b*) when was the leave sanctioned;

(*c*) when was the leave availed of by the permanent demonstrator;

(*d*) when did he come and rejoin duty;

(*e*) when was this matter reported by (*i*) the Principal of the Maharaja's College and (*ii*) by the Director of Public Instruction;

(*f*) when did the Government notify in the Gazette of this vacancy;

(*g*) when was the appointment order despatched?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*: (*a*) No permanent demonstrator in the Chemistry Department went on leave.

(*b*)—(*g*) No answer is necessary.

GRANT-IN-AID DISPENSARIES

262. Mr. K. Kunjirama Menon *(Cheruthuruthi)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) of the total amount of the grant made to the grant-in-aid dispensaries of the State, what amount is ear-marked for medicines;

(*b*) is the Government charging the medicines so supplied at controlled price;

(*c*) what is the controlled price of quinine;

(*d*) what is the Government charging the dispensaries for quinine?

Rao Sahib Dr. T. Verghese *(Chief Medical Officer)*: (*a*) Rs. 600 a year for each grant-in-aid dispensary.

(*b*) No. The rate for the supply of medicines, etc. was fixed long before prices were controlled by Government and supply to each grant-in-aid dispensary was begun by the middle of November 1943. The drug Control Order came into effect only from 5th January 1944.

(*c*) Quinine is not given in the list of medicines controlled by the Government. The cost, however, of this drug charged by the Government varied from Rs. 45 per pound exclusive of packing and transport charges and freight from Bombay to Rs. 25 per pound F.O.R. Calcutta.

(*d*) At the rate of Rs. 4 per ounce.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi)*: When was this amount, Rs. 600, fixed; in which year was this amount fixed for each dispensary?

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